

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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## "Eternal Vigilance"

Before the sweeping flames had died down in stricken Halifax, before the crash of shattered building had gone into silence, there were well-founded reports of a German plot.

Today's Associated Press despatches indicate that a supposedly neutral vessel may have been used as the instrument for the diabolic scheme which has cost perhaps two thousand lives and devastated a flourishing city.

The lesson of Halifax is that no American city is safe without ceaseless vigilance. No American city is safe unless the hitherto uncontrolled and almost unwatched suspects are put where they can do no harm. Halifax, as is well-known, is the point of concentration and departure for tremendous amounts of supplies and tremendous numbers of men for the war-zone. There is no military secret about this, though the Canadian and American press publishes no details. But Germany and German spies know quite as well as most others what is happening in Halifax, and could conceive of no greater coup than such terrific blow as has been struck now upon the Nova Scotian port.

Any American who is skeptical of the widespread character and absolute lack of scruple of the German plots ought to read in the December World's Work an article by French Strother about John R. Rathom's work in exposing German machinations in the United States and Canada.

Most readers of the Star-Bulletin are familiar with the fact that Rathom and his newspaper, the Providence, Rhode Island, Journal, bared the majority of the von Bernstorff-von Papen-Bopp stuff. The Journal, in fact, made possible the spectacular arrests and trials which have followed.

And the Journal publishes every day at the head of its editorial column the following warning to Americans:

Every German or Austrian in the United States, unless known by years of association to be absolutely loyal, should be treated as a potential spy. Keep your eyes and ears open. Whenever any suspicious act or disloyal word comes to your notice, communicate at once with the bureau of investigation of the department of justice.

We are at war with the most merciless and inhuman nation in the world. Hundreds of thousands of its people in this country want to see America humiliated and beaten to her knees, and they are doing and will do, everything in their power to bring this about.

Take nothing for granted. Energy and alertness in this direction may save the life of your son, or husband, or your brother.

This warning is just as timely in Hawaii as in Rhode Island.

## Privileged to Serve

Three well-known young Honolulu businessmen have been privileged to get actively into Uncle Sam's service for the purpose of winning the war.

Captains Percy Swift, T. M. Church and James T. Phillips go into the quartermaster reserve corps at a time when the community and the nation are just beginning to realize the widespread demands that war is making not merely on the fabric of business but on those who conduct that business. Presumably within a short time other businessmen of this city will be asked to drop their private affairs to take up Uncle Sam's service.

The officers' reserve corps built up here under Major C. S. Lincoln and with the hearty support of the Hawaiian department contains a large percentage of Honolulu's business executives, particularly among the younger men. As the exigencies of war call from Hawaii regular army officers whose experience is needed in mainland camps or in the war zone, the reserve developed here will supply men who need only familiarity with routine and military procedure to step into the vacant places. The work done during the last two years in developing the officers' reserve is beginning to show itself.

## Letters of TIMELY TOPICS

### JACK D. CLEARY ANSWERS.

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 5, 1917.  
Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir: In a letter appearing in this evening's Star-Bulletin, Mr. W. H. Soper sees fit to accuse me of treason to the United States, basing his accusations, however, on hearsay.

He admits that he is "not acquainted with the man," but says "he has heard," etc. Will Mr. W. H. Soper kindly give the names of his informants, so that I may be provided with evidence enough to bring my accusers before the proper authorities in order to vindicate my character?

This is but fair, and I earnestly hope that Mr. Soper will avail himself of this opportunity to have his informants justify their statements.

Mr. Soper also says that he wrote his letter "without heat," it sounded red hot to me, and if it was "without heat," I'd hate to hear from him when he was "hot."

The gentleman said, "He claims to have been trying to do for Ireland what the patriot fathers did for America." Sir, made no such claim. What I did say was, "I had every right to sympathize with the men who were trying," etc., and I wish that Mr. Soper would kindly not misquote me on such a vital particular as this. It seems as if those who are responsible for all this useless and senseless campaigning, which I really believe started against me during May of last year, were not content with the measure of success they have achieved, but will continue to hound me until they have

driven me back to the wall. Well, Mr. Editor, every man expects a fair deal in this country and I hope that those interested will reserve their judgment until we see whether or not these character-smirchers will charge me directly over their own names and give me the chance of fair play.

I deny that I am disloyal to the country of my adoption. I deny it emphatically and I deny the right of any Tom, Dick, or Harry, to question it, and if every American citizen of Irish blood, who believed in 1916 that an Irish republic would be beneficial to that nation, were to be accused of disloyalty to America in December, 1917, then millions of your "best and truest" are "under the ban." But, sir, it is only in a few isolated places here and there that some marked Irishmen are victimized by men whose actions, tending towards furthering race hatred and distrust, lead one to question their loyalty. It is a conceded fact that "he who fosters dissension menaces the peace." In times like these it is not good form to stir up race hatred, rather should we "cry it down."

I wish to state here that I regret very much if my attitude of last year injured the business of my late employers, and I sincerely hope that those people who made them suffer on my account will now rally back to the "Old House."

I did not expect that very many people would be found to boycott my employers just because they did not agree with my opinion, regarding a small nation, expressed more than a year

## Why \$45,000 Is Needed

The \$45,000 budget which the Y. W. C. A. hopes to raise next week will be distributed as follows: \$20,000 will be used for the regular local work for the year 1918.

\$10,000 will be used for work in this city demanded by the pressure of war.

\$15,000 will be applied to the national four million dollar fund for work among American nurses in France and among the girls and women in the United States in industrial and training camp centers.

The use of the \$10,000 in Honolulu for war work will be as follows:

Half of this sum will be used to supply three new workers for the special demands made upon the association by the war.

Half will be used either to build a small addition to the present building, or to establish a few extension centers for the period of particular stress.

No pains are being spared by the government to keep safe the moral life of our boys.

The Y. W. C. A. has been requested by federal authorities to do its best to safeguard our girls. The local association proposes to do this by preventative, constructive means, by supplying girls with a practical outlet for their patriotic zeal, by keeping them to the standards that will "make democracy safe for the world."

Facts brought out at the San Francisco "India conspiracy" trial clear up the ownership of the vessels Maverick and the Annie Larsen. Some published reports previously have mentioned the firm of Charles Nelson company of San Francisco, but it is proved that this was a mistake, probably arising from the fact that the captain of the Maverick was named Nelson and was said to be a part-owner in the vessel. The Charles Nelson company is well-known to Hawaii businessmen, who are aware of its standing and reputation, and the refutation of the published reports connecting the firm in any way with the notorious Maverick or Annie Larsen is gratifying.

The Star-Bulletin has been asked to collect at once current magazines to be used by soldiers leaving Hawaii. In this patriotic cause it is hoped the public will join. The magazines must be secured tomorrow. If possible, bring your contributions to the Star-Bulletin office. If this is not possible, phone the Star-Bulletin, 4911, give your address to Harry S. Hayward, and arrangements will be made to send and get your magazines. Tomorrow morning will be the best time to make such collections.

The United States is going to the relief of a stricken city of the Dominion of Canada at top speed. City after city will send relief trains. It would have been done in time of peace, and in time of war it will be done with all the more energy and sympathy. The two countries are bound by many close ties, and none closer than that of a common patriotic cause.

Anonymous claims of patriotism do not ring true. No man or woman who has something to say on behalf of his country ought to be ashamed to face the public.

German air raids on London continue—and every raid makes the Englishman a little more determined to "see it through."

That imports embargo reminds us of the "off-again, on-again" incident.

Even in the Holy Land the Germans can't put over their Holy War.

What have you done this day to help win the war?

Have you a Food Pledge card in your home?

In conclusion, I hope that Mr. W. H. Soper will not take this letter for a "whine." I'm not the "whining" kind and I do not spring from a "whining" race. I rather think that the whiners are those who have been laboring so earnestly to wind this net of falsehood and calumny around me, but I'll unwind it, never fear. I recognize that some have got a good start ahead of me and it may be mighty hard work to catch up, but "I'm on my way" and I will get there eventually.

I am, sir,

Yours faithfully,

JACK D. CLEARY.

### PRICE REDUCTIONS.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin:  
Sir: In a newspaper from a town in one of the Pacific coast states I find an advertisement that reads thus: "Complying with the request of the food administration we have reduced our prices on canned corn. Sportsman corn, 10 cents per can; Ute Maid corn, 2 for 25 cents. . . . You may look for further reductions at this store from time to time."

If any of our local stores made such a statement as that, about half of us would drop dead.

If canned corn, of a standard brand, can be sold in a town 500 miles from San Francisco for 10 cents a can, why are we here compelled to pay 20 cents and 25 cents for the same thing?

EQUALITY.

The main idea is to advertise your goods so the public wants them—then to see that they get them the way they want them when they want them.

## NAVY LEAGUE HOLDS LAST MEETING; IS MERGED WITH ALLIED WAR RELIEF

Not Once is Name of Daniels Mentioned During Course of Business Session

Not once was the name of the honorable secretary of navy mentioned at the meeting of the Woman's Navy League held yesterday afternoon in the library of Hawaii, although the assembly hall was comfortably filled with members of the League, and much business was handled.

It was the league's last meeting, too, for hereafter, although more work than ever will be done by the members, it will be done under the name of the Allied War Relief Society, the Woman's Navy League having lost its identity in Honolulu.

"We decided upon this step at a meeting of the executive committee a few days ago," said Mrs. William L. Whitney, who presided at yesterday's meeting. "It seemed a division of effort to continue the two organizations here, when the same women were doing the same work for both, so we have amalgamated the two and our work hereafter will all be in the name of the Allied War Relief Society."

"We had no funds to turn over. There were no dues for membership in the league, and the \$25 or so contributed to us was spent for various equipment for Red Cross classes. We did a good work in the name of the league, and now we shall all concentrate our efforts in the same work in the name of the Allied War Relief Society."

Some of the work done by the Woman's Navy League since the Hawaii branch was organized about two years ago has passed into history, and very few people in thinking of it realize that it was started by these women. Summed up, all the Red Cross classes that have been held all over the Territory to prepare women for service at home and at the battlefield had their inception at a meeting of the Woman's Navy League held in the old opera house the tenth of last February. At that meeting cards were distributed outlining the work that could be done by women, such as the making of surgical dressings, knitting, house sewing of Red Cross garments, first aid, elementary hygiene, semaphore and signal corps study, telegraphy, clerical work, poultry raising and intensive farming. Each recipient of one of these cards was asked to check off whatever subject most appealed to her. Three hundred and fifty cards were signed and returned.

Out of this 350 women, 250 joined the classes in first aid, of which Mrs. Gerrit P. Wilder was chairman. Mrs. Wilder's report yesterday showed that 178 of the 250 had successfully passed their examinations, and received their first aid certificates from Washington. One class in advanced first aid contained 11 students, all of whom passed, and received a bronze medal from Washington.

Mrs. Wilder's report further showed that four classes in elementary hygiene had a combined membership of 69, 29 of whom have been certificated, and 20 of whom are still studying, and will shortly be up for examination.

"Summing up," said Mrs. Wilder, "321 women have received instruction in first aid and elementary hygiene and home care of the sick under the auspices of the Hawaii Chapter of the Navy League."

Miss Nellie L. Moore, chairman of the wireless telegraphy classes, reported that three classes in this branch of woman's service had been organized, and that the first, a class of 11, had finished its course, and one member had taken the final examination. "Two classes in wireless telegraphy are being held twice a week in the library," said Miss Moore, "and one of them is going on just now. All the pupils are doing well, many of them having already reached the stage where they can easily take 17 words a minute, the requirement for a certificate being 20 words a minute. All these students are also studying the technical points of the work, learning about the instruments, how to manage them, et cetera, and they are all very much in earnest. Mr. Basil Fenn, who has had charge of all the classes, is a most excellent instructor, and holds the interest of all the members in the work."

The classes in intensive gardening and in poultry raising, of which Mrs. Richard Ivers was chairman, have done most excellent work through the College of Hawaii. About 50 women took these two courses.

Two classes of 10 members each in semaphore and signal corps work, one in April and one in June under Corporal Blackwood of Fort De Russy, who was selected by Major Carpenter as instructor, did most excellent work and turned out one expert—Miss Lani Hutchinson. The chairman of these classes, Miss Mary K. Brown, said that all the members could qualify as

experts if they would keep up their practice.

Mrs. Mary L. Macfarlane, chairman of the classes in motor mechanics, mentioned in her report that "Through the courtesy of Mr. von Hamm, who allowed one of his head mechanics, Mr. T. Duggan, to conduct the course, a class of 14 learned a great deal about the mechanics of motor cars." Mrs. Macfarlane made reference to Mrs. E. Faxon Bishop, for the use of her garage, and to Mrs. George R. Carter for the use of her garage and grounds for the classes.

The knitting classes, with Mrs. King as directress, have spread all over the city, until now nearly every woman in town who didn't know how before has learned to knit, or is engaged in learning.

"Only the classes in simple cooking failed to interest," said Mrs. Whitney, and that was because everybody who came to the classes already knew how to do simple cooking.

"On the whole, we are satisfied with the work done by the league, and we are glad, now, to amalgamate with the Allied War Relief society—and just keep right on working."

## FORT SHAFTER NOTES

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence.)

Major Robert M. Lyon and Captain Lester Baker have been designated to take two of the classes in French instruction at the post. The class, originally taught by Countess D'Artigue, has grown to such proportions that she was unable to handle it in its entirety, so has arranged for these officers to assist her.

Major Frederick Hadra and his family have moved down into No. 3 on the main point and the house which they vacated has been turned into bachelor quarters to accommodate the new officers who have been sent to the post. The house which Major Hadra has taken was formerly occupied by Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Daniel E. Glenty.

Major Dorst of the engineer reserve corps has moved into quarters in the bachelor building on the main post, having taken the quarters formerly occupied by Lieutenant Charles A. McGarrigle.

## PERSONALITIES

CHESTER A. DOYLE, Japanese interpreter in circuit court, is up and about again after being confined to his home with an attack of rheumatism.

JAMES R. PIERCE, ballist in the United States court, has received notification from Washington that he has been accepted as a member of the U. S. Public Service Reserve.

SYDNEY A. LEVEY, a Honolulu boy, has been called to duty in the quartermaster corps, and has been sent to Camp Fremont, Menlo Park, Cal., and is stationed with Company 2, Headquarters, M. C. After two or three months' extensive training, and passing all examinations, it is expected he will be commissioned and assigned a command.

## VITAL STATISTICS

**BORN**  
MANAKU—In Honolulu, Dec. 4, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. John Manaku of Dowsett lane, Palama, a son.

**MARRIED**  
THORNTON-KEOHOU—In Honolulu, Dec. 5, 1917, Clement Thornton and Miss Jennie Keohou, Rev. Samuel K. Kamalopili, assistant pastor of Kaunakapili church, officiating; witnesses—Miss Mary Thornton and William G. Thornton.

**DIED**  
MEYER—In Honolulu, Dec. 4, 1917, Karl Meyer, unmarried, water tender aboard steamer Kilauea, a native of China, aged 25 years. Buried yesterday in Nuanu cemetery.

**BILL'S FATE.**  
Der was a leedle kaiser,  
Who had a leedle thunk;  
And how all other armies,  
Was only piles off junk.  
But soon he vill learn better,  
When he gets a closer view;  
Of dot prave punch off Sammies,  
Und things dot dey vill do;  
They're fresh und full off ginger,  
Und lively full off fight;  
Und Bill, don't you forget idt,  
Dey sleep awake all night.  
Der day les getting closer,  
When you'll hear something pop;  
Vhen about a million Sammies  
Come pouring "o'er the top."  
Und say, Bill, you'a gonner,  
Vhat off you isn't vapor;  
Your flunkies vill pick up mit  
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—TOM MERLE.



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## MORE WOMEN WANTED FOR RED CROSS WORK

More women are urged to attend the Tuesday and Friday afternoon sessions of the Red Cross workers, who are engaged in making surgical and hospital bandages in the throne room. The attendance this morning was curtailed to a large extent by the food pledge workers being absent, but the ladies in charge at the throne room declare that the attendance Tuesday and Friday afternoons is negligible. Some time ago the throne room was kept open all day Tuesday and Friday in order to allow a large number of women to aid in the work, but they have apparently not taken advantage of the extra hours.

A large number of school girls from McKinley high school accompanied by teachers are generally in attendance on Friday afternoons, and the Red Cross officials would like to have a large representation from Punahou and the College of Hawaii. McKinley high school is thus far the only school which has sent an official representation to the throne room.

Cpl. John A. Baird, 9th Company, Fort De Russy, was injured yesterday afternoon while engaged in football practice and was rushed to the department hospital by ambulance. Word received today from the hospital states that he is recovering nicely.

## AMERICA WATCHES HUN TRADE MOVES

Federal secret service men and intelligence officers are not watching the German propaganda, or military men scrutinizing the German military moves any closer than the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce is studying the attempts of the German traders to reorganize their "after the war" trade market. Since the war has eliminated the Germans from the world's trade, the United States commerce experts have been studying the German business methods, and are keeping a watchful eye on the moves of the Central Empire to regain the good will and prestige they held before the war.

Secretary Redfield, of the department of commerce, advises the American businessmen not to imitate the German theories of trade, but to build up a formidable organization to combat the attempts of the enemy after hostilities have ceased. In order to keep American business in touch with the disclosures of the federal trade experts, bulletins will be issued from time to time by the bureau. The demand for these bulletins shows that the American traders are making after-war preparations of their own.

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